NICHOLAS A. TRUTANICH 1 United States Attorney 2 **GREG ADDINGTON** 3 Nevada State Bar No. 6875 Assistant United States Attorney 4 Bruce R. Thompson U.S. Courthouse & Fed. Bldg. 400 South Virginia Street, Suite 900 5 Reno, Nevada 89501 (775) 784-5438 6 Greg.Addington@usdoj.gov 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 9 FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA 10 DANIEL LOPEZ-CAJAS, 2:20-cv-2115-RFB-EJY 11 Plaintiff, STIPULATION AND ORDER 12 FOR REMAND TO AGENCY v. 13 WILLIAM BARR, Attorney General, et al. 14 Defendants. 15 16 It is hereby agreed and stipulated by all parties, through their respective counsel, that this 17 action be REMANDED to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services ("USCIS"), based on the 18 following: 19 20 1. This is an action for judicial review of plaintiff's application for naturalization (Form 21 N-400), which was denied by immigration officials by decision dated June 7, 2016. A copy of 22 the June 7, 2016, decision denying plaintiff's N-400 application for naturalization is attached to 23 the complaint as Exhibit 1. 24 2. It is defendants' position that the Court lacks subject matter jurisdiction to adjudicate 25 26 plaintiff's claims on the grounds that plaintiff failed to exhaust administrative remedies by 27 failing to submit a Form N-336 Request for Review and obtain a decision thereon. 28

- 3. Following dismissal of this civil action, the appropriate immigration officials within the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), will effectuate a motion to reopen plaintiff's N-400 application for naturalization and will proceed with an adjudication of the N-400 application without effect being given to the adjudicative conclusions reflected in the June 7, 2016, decision referenced above.
- 4. The parties shall bear their own costs and expenses of this litigation, including attorneys' fees.
- 5. That the Court will retain jurisdiction to enforce the terms of this agreement and any disputes that arise thereunder.

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Based on the foregoing, this action is <u>REMANDED to USCIS</u>, each party to bear their own costs and expenses of litigation.

IT IS SO ORDERED:

Date: <u>January 13</u>, 2021

RICHARD F. BOULWARE, II United States District Judge